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Stunner has reappeared in Manhattan! Stunner is the result of a virtual reality program created by Doctor Octopus before his death. The woman controlling the Stunner persona is named Angelina Brancale...Wait, wasn't she in a coma?

PARKER ON THE RISE

With Horizon Labs destroyed, we are all wondering what will become of the "Lucky Seven" who made up the infamous think tank. Thus far, we have gotten word that Peter Parker, along with Sajani Jaffrey, is seeking a loan to start his own company, Parker Industries. In the meantime, Parker is working to complete the final credits he needs in order to achieve his doctorate.

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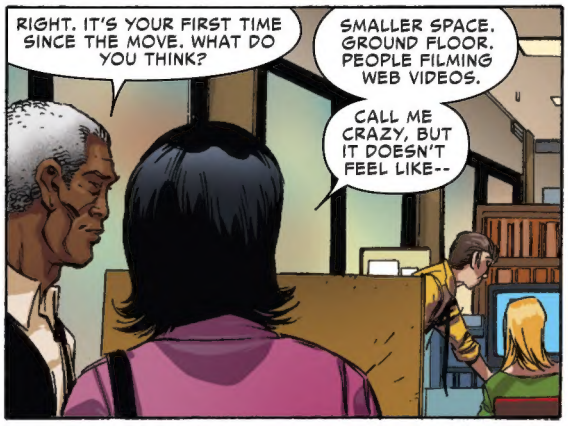
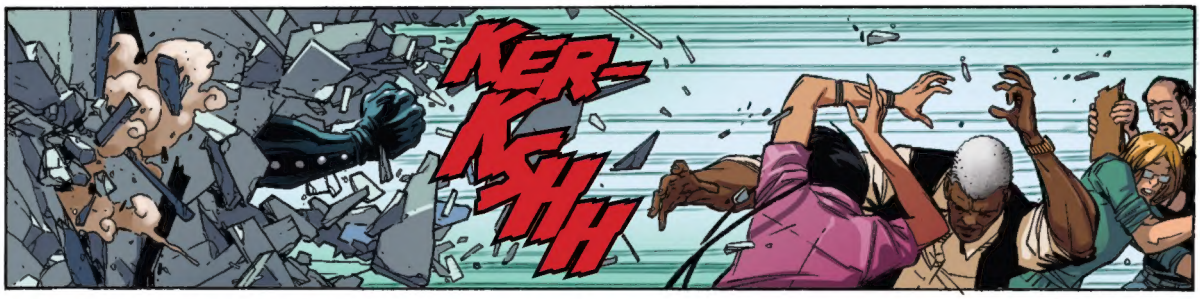
Midtown Manhattan.
DAILY
BUGLE
IT'S BEEN SOME TIME, BUT THANKS FOR COMING BACK...

...AND FOR BURYING THE HATCHET. IT WOULDN'T BE THE BUGLE WITHOUT *BETTY BRANT.*
THANKS, ROBBIE. BUT IS IT ME, OR DOES SOMETHING SEEM OFF?


RIGHT. IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME SINCE THE MOVE. WHAT DO YOU THINK?
SMALLER SPACE. GROUND FLOOR. PEOPLE FILMING WEB VIDEOS.
CALL ME CRAZY, BUT IT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE--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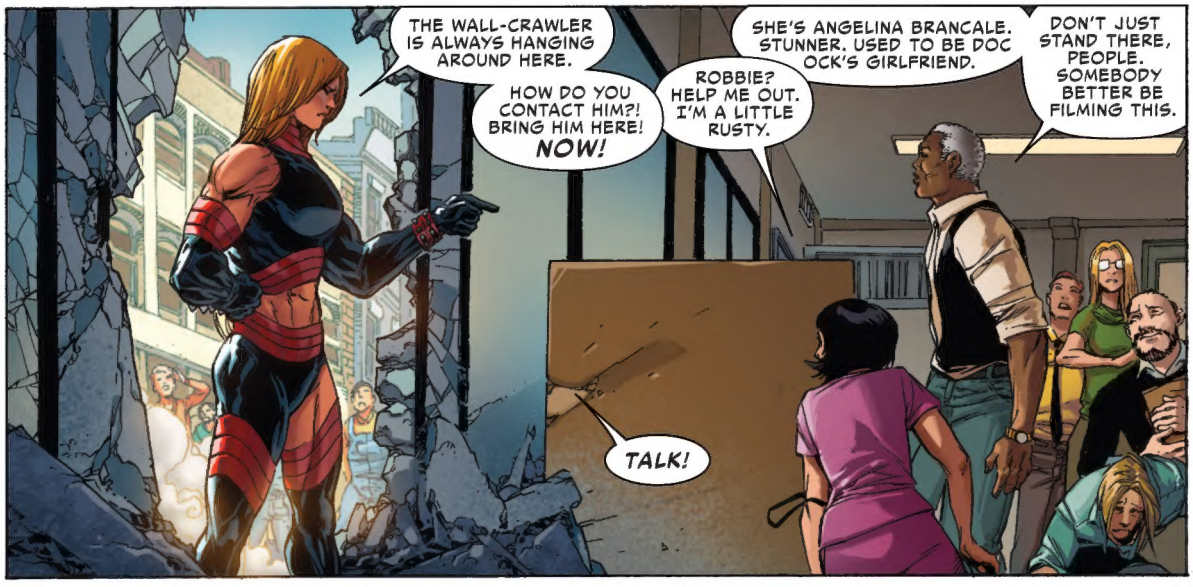
YOU THERE! *TELL ME!*
WHERE CAN I FIND SPIDER-MAN?!
OKAY. *NOW* IT FEELS LIKE THE BUGLE.


THE WALL-CRAWLER IS ALWAYS HANGING AROUND HERE.
HOW DO YOU CONTACT HIM?! BRING HIM HERE! NOW!
TALK!
ROBBIE? HELP ME OUT. I'M A LITTLE RUSTY.
SHE'S ANGELINA BRANCALE. STUNNER. USED TO BE DOC OCK'S GIRLFRIEND.
DON'T JUST STAND THERE, PEOPLE. SOMEBODY BETTER BE FILMING THIS.

MS. BRANCALE, YOU'VE BEEN AWAY FOR A WHILE. THINGS HAVE CHANGED.
WE'RE NOT ON GOOD TERMS WITH SPIDER-MAN. BUT DON'T WORRY...
...IF YOU'RE A CRIMINAL IN THIS TOWN, HE'LL FIND YOU.
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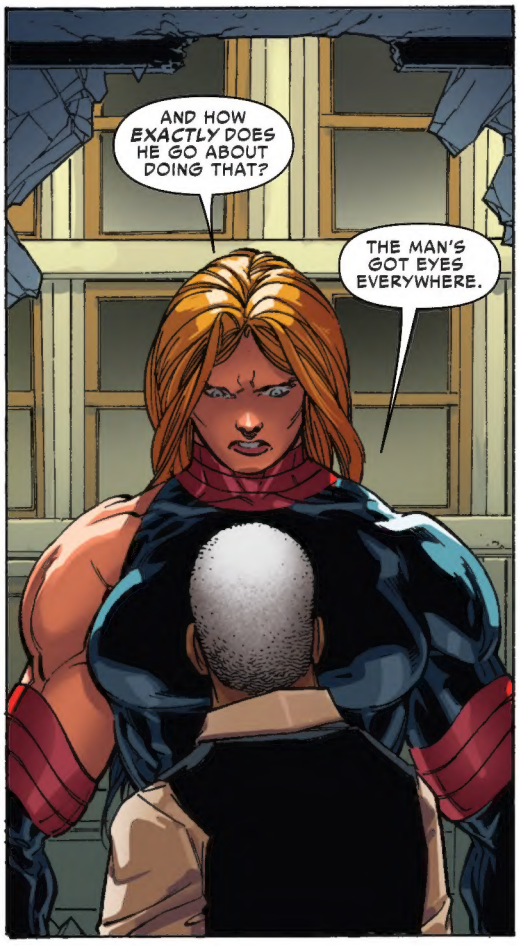
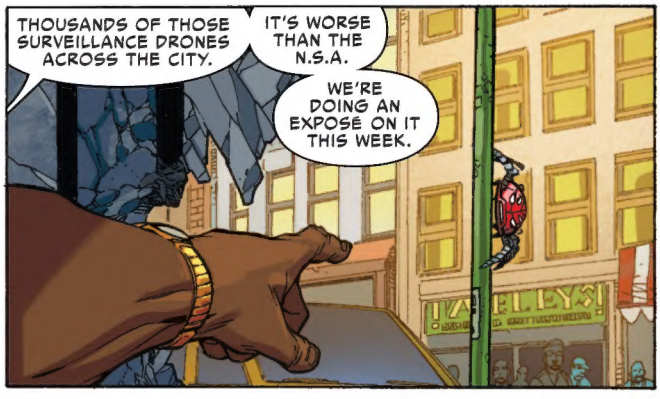
HOBGOBLIN UNMASKED
DAILY BUGLE
BLACK CAT CAPTURED

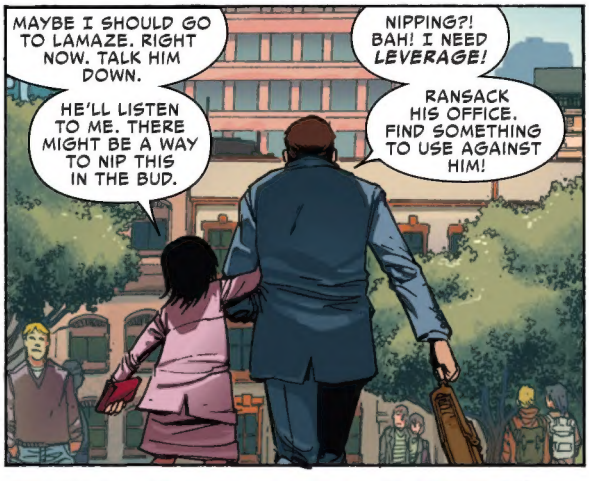

AND HOW EXACTLY DOES HE GO ABOUT DOING THAT?
THE MAN'S GOT EYES EVERYWHERE.


THOUSANDS OF THOSE SURVEILLANCE DRONES ACROSS THE CITY.
IT'S WORSE THAN THE N.S.A.
WE'RE DOING AN EXPOSÉ ON IT THIS WEEK.

SO ALL ONE HAS TO DO IS COMMIT A CRIME IN FRONT OF ONE OF THOSE CAMERAS.
LIKE THAT ONE OVER THERE.
OHHH. THIS IS NOT GOOD.

Empire State University.
IT'S A DISASTER!
PETER! CALM DOWN--
CALM DOWN?! HOW CAN I?! I'VE BEEN ACCUSED, ANNA!
OF STEALING EVERY IDEA IN MY THESIS...FROM THE WORK OF DR. OTTO OCTAVIUS!

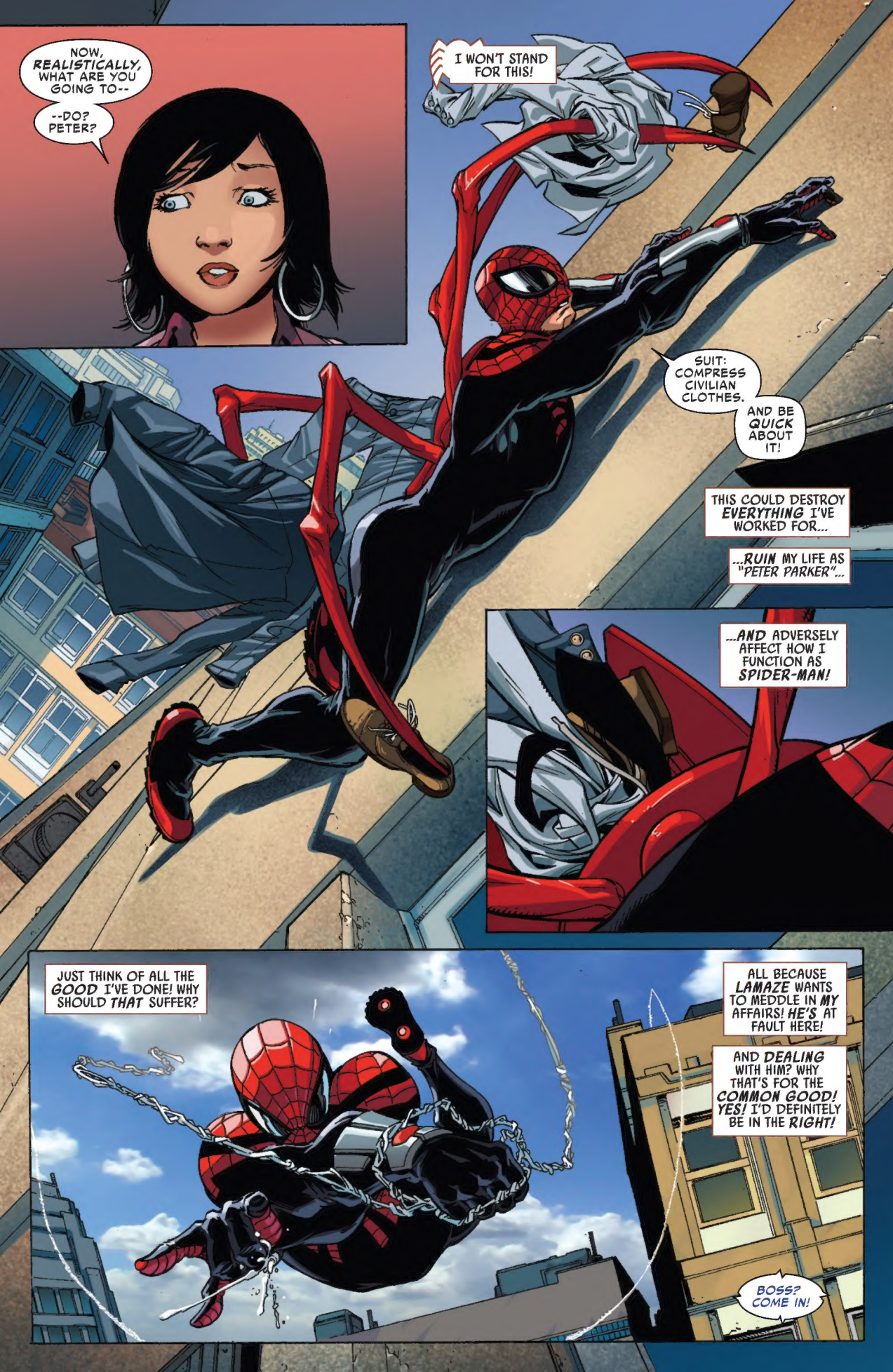
THESE ARE SERIOUS CHARGES, DR. LAMAZE!
YES, DEAN GOLDMAN, THEY MOST CERTAINLY ARE.
AND I SHALL MAKE A FULL AND AIRTIGHT CASE TO THE BOARD TOMORROW.


MAYBE I SHOULD GO TO LAMAZE. RIGHT NOW. TALK HIM DOWN.
HE'LL LISTEN TO ME. THERE MIGHT BE A WAY TO NIP THIS IN THE BUD.
NIPPING?! BAH! I NEED LEVERAGE!
RANSACK HIS OFFICE. FIND SOMETHING TO USE AGAINST HIM!

OR INTIMIDATE HIM! YES!
UM. PETE?
A RETRACTABLE PLATFORM! OVER SOME PIRANHA? OR A KRAKEN.

NO. A ROBOT DOUBLE. A DECOMMISSIONED L.M.D.
PROGRAM IT TO BE LAMAZE. AND HAVE IT RECANT!
YES!

HA! "ROBOT DOUBLE"? HAD ME GOING FOR A MOMENT THERE, SLICK.
FINE. GOT THAT OUT OF YOUR SYSTEM?


NOW, REALISTICALLY, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO--
--DO? PETER?
I WON'T STAND FOR THIS!
SUIT: COMPRESS CIVILIAN CLOTHES.
AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!
THIS COULD DESTROY EVERYTHING I'VE WORKED FOR...
...RUIN MY LIFE AS "PETER PARKER"...
...AND ADVERSELY AFFECT HOW I FUNCTION AS SPIDER-MAN!
JUST THINK OF ALL THE GOOD I'VE DONE! WHY SHOULD THAT SUFFER?
ALL BECAUSE LAMAZE WANTS TO MEDDLE IN MY AFFAIRS! HE'S AT FAULT HERE!
AND DEALING WITH HIM? WHY THAT'S FOR THE COMMON GOOD! YES! I'D DEFINITELY BE IN THE RIGHT!
BOSS? COME IN!

THIS IS SPIDER-ISLAND CALLING SPIDER-MAN. PLEASE RESPOND.
WHAT IS IT, YOU DOLTS?! I'M BUSY!
SORRY, BOSS. ONE OF THE SPIDER-BOTS CALLED SOMETHING IN.
ONE OF YOUR OLD BAD GUYS IS ATTACKING THE DAILY BUGLE. THOUGHT YOU'D WANNA KNOW.
WHICH ONE?
THAT BLONDE AMAZON WOMAN. STUNNER, SIR.
ANGELINA?
SHOULD WE BRING OUT THE SPIDER-MECHS?
NO.
"I WILL DEAL WITH THIS MYSELF. PERSONALLY."
C'MON, SPIDER!
WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO GET YOUR ATTENTION?!
STUNNER!

FINALLY.
IT IS YOU. YOU'RE BACK! BUT HOW IS THAT EVEN POSSIBLE? LAST I SAW...
...YOU WERE IN A VEGETATIVE STATE.

I WAS, BUT THEN I LITERALLY GOT MY LIFE BACK.
AND IT WAS ALL THANKS TO YOU, SPIDER. YOU DID THAT.
WHAT? HOW?!
Phone
Information

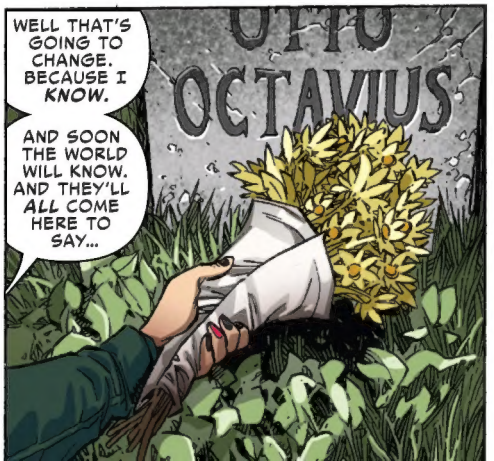
BY MURDERERING MY BELOVED!
IT HAPPENED WHEN YOU KILLED OTTO GUNTHER OCTAVIUS!!!
WHAT?!
POLICE

Potter's Field.
A PRISON GRAVEYARD.
I AM SO SORRY.
YOU FOUGHT FOR ALL OF US. AND WE NEVER KNEW IT. EVEN WORSE...
...THE WHOLE TIME WE THOUGHT YOU WERE A MONSTER. A MENACE.
AND YOU STILL KEPT AT IT. BECAUSE THAT'S WHO YOU ARE. A HERO.

OH, GOD...
YOU TRIED TO TELL ME. AND I DIDN'T BELIEVE--
I COULDN'T--

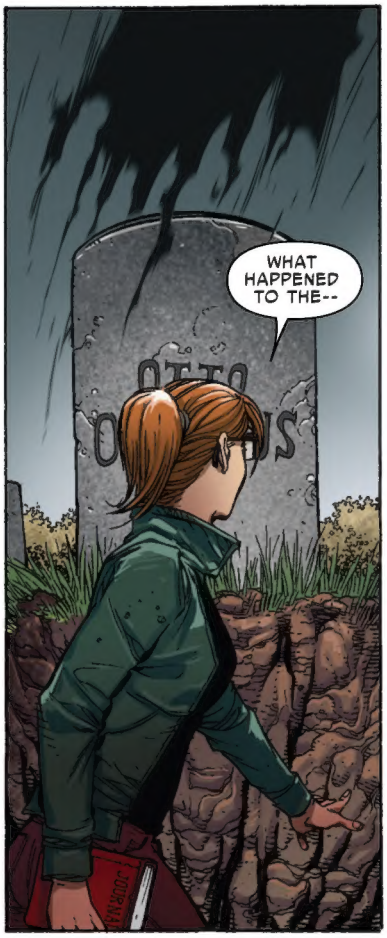
CARLIE, WAIT! I CAN EXPLAIN!
I'M NOT DOC OCK! I'M SPIDER-MAN!

YOU DIED. AND NO ONE MOURNED YOU.
TILL NOW.


WELL THAT'S GOING TO CHANGE. BECAUSE I KNOW.
AND SOON THE WORLD WILL KNOW. AND THEY'LL ALL COME HERE TO SAY...
OCTAVIUS

OTTO OCTAVIUS
AHHH!
FWUMMMT

HOLY--IT'S EMPTY!
THERE'S NO BODY!


WHAT HAPPENED TO THE--

HA HAHA
UMPH--
"MY OTTO WAS DEAD..."

...KILLED BY KAINE. BUT I TOOK PART IN A RITUAL...
...SACRIFICING MY OWN LIFE SO HE COULD LIVE AGAIN.
I REMEMBER.
BUT IT WORKED! YOU GAVE OTTO A SECOND CHANCE.

AND YOU TOOK IT FROM HIM! IN THAT FINAL BATTLE IN COLUMBUS CIRCLE.
AH. RIGHT. I DID THAT.
STUNNER, PLEASE, IF YOU'D LET ME EXPLAIN. I'M ACTUALLY--

NO! ENOUGH TALKING! I HATE YOU!
YOU'VE TAKEN EVERYTHING FROM ME!
EVERYTHING BUT THIS HOLOGRAPHIC SUIT...

...AND MY PAIN!
MY DEAR ANGELINA. I DON'T WISH TO HURT YOU...

...BUT I HAVE NO TIME FOR THIS. SO...
THWIP
THWIP
YOUR WEBS? THEY'RE USELESS AGAINST ME!
THWIP
THWIP
THWIP

NOT ANYMORE. NEW FORMULA. STRONGER. LONGER LASTING. IN SHORT: SUPERIOR.
MORE THAN ENOUGH TO DEAL WITH YOUR DENSEST HARD-LIGHT FORM.
SPIDER-BOTS, ATTEND TO ME. I'M SENDING YOU A HOLOGRAPHIC TRANSMISSION SIGNAL...
MMMPH--
...TRACK IT TO ITS SOURCE.
AND SHUT DOWN MS. BRANCALE'S VIRTUAL REALITY RIG.
YO, SPIDEY! WHAT'RE WE SUPPOSED TO DO WITH HER NOW?
I'VE SEEN TO IT, OFFICERS. SHE SHOULDN'T GIVE YOU ANY MORE PROBLEMS.
NOW I HAVE PRESSING MATTERS TO DEAL WITH.
TEKK
TEKK
TEKK
KLIK
SPIDER-MAN... ALWAYS SO COCKY.
YOU NEVER GAVE ME ENOUGH CREDIT.
I'M NOT NEARLY AS DENSE AS YOU THINK I AM.
AHH! HOW SHE DOIN' THAT?!
OUT OF MY WAY!

HAVE TO GET BACK TO THE UNIVERSITY IMMEDIATELY!
MY ENTIRE FUTURE AS PETER PARKER DEPENDS ON IT!
THE CAMPUS IS UP AHEAD.
NOW TO FIND LAMAZE BEFORE HIS TRAIL GROWS COLD.
AH! HOW FORTUNATE. ANNA MARIA'S KEPT HIM OCCUPIED THE ENTIRE TIME. GOOD.
JUST A MATTER OF WAITING TILL YOU'RE ALONE, LAMAZE. AND THEN--WAIT!
WHAT ARE THEY SAYING? A SIMPLE ADJUSTMENT TO MY EARPIECE SHOULD DO THE...
DR. LAMAZE, PLEASE. WHEN IT COMES TO PETER...
...THERE'S SOMETHING WE BOTH KNOW YOU'RE OVERLOOKING.
AND THAT WOULD BE WHAT, MS. MARCONI?
HIS MIND. YOU'VE SEEN HIM ATTACK CALCULATIONS AT AMAZING SPEEDS.
TWIST COMPLEX THOUGHTS AND THEORIES, BENDING THEM TO HIS WILL.
WHY WOULD A MAN WITH AN INTELLECT LIKE THAT NEED TO STEAL ANY IDEA?
ANNA.
YOU UNDERSTAND ME, DON'T YOU? LIKE NO ONE ELSE HAS EVER--

SPIDER-SENSE!
BUT WHAT--?!
M34
HRONKK
AAAH!
DEAR LORD!
THWIP

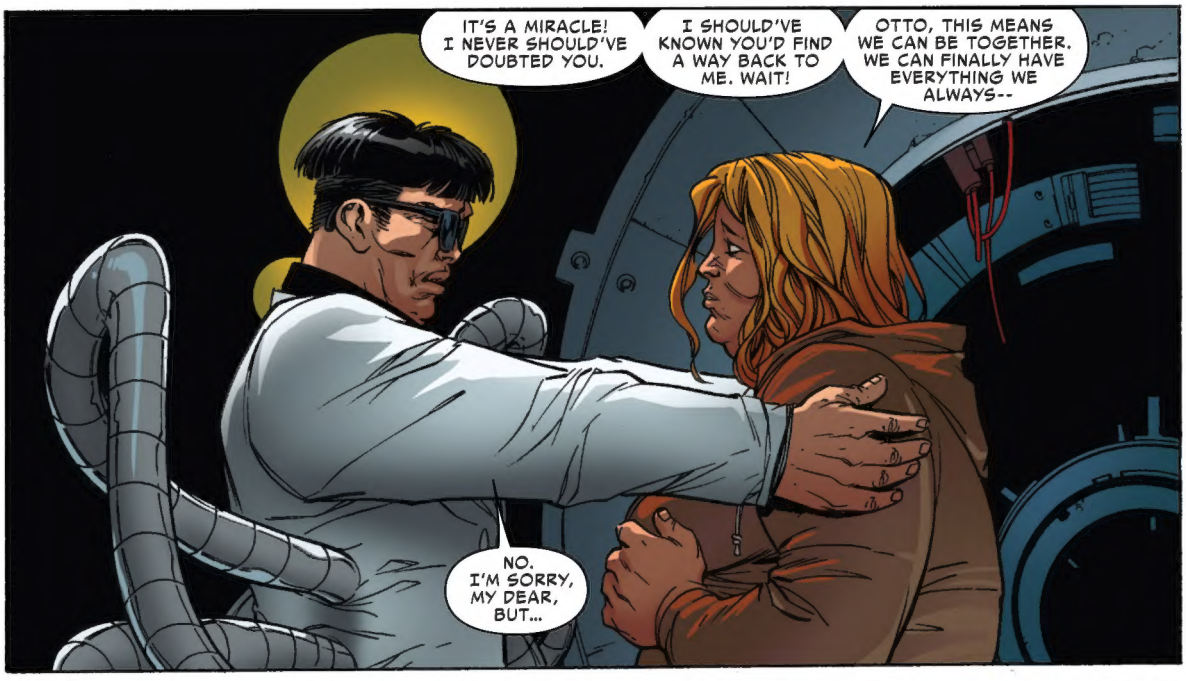
GYARH!
GOT IT!
MOVE!
CAN'T HOLD THIS!
WE'RE NOT DONE HERE, BUG!
NOT TILL I SAY SO!
NOT TILL I WATCH YOU DIE!
FLANG
SWAK
STUNNER?! YOU MUSTN'T!
THERE ARE INNOCENT PEOPLE HERE.

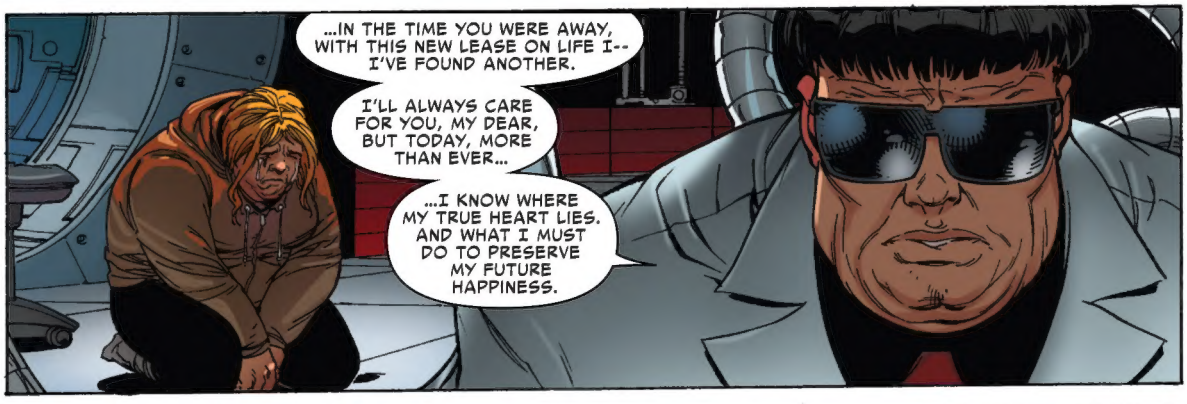
HMM.
FOUR MECHANICAL ARMS.
NO!
HOW DARE YOU?!
SKRZZZ
OUT OF MY WAY!
HEY!
OTTO.
WHEREVER YOU ARE, BELOVED, I HOPE YOU CAN SEE THIS.
ANNA, PLEASE. GET UP. I CAN'T--

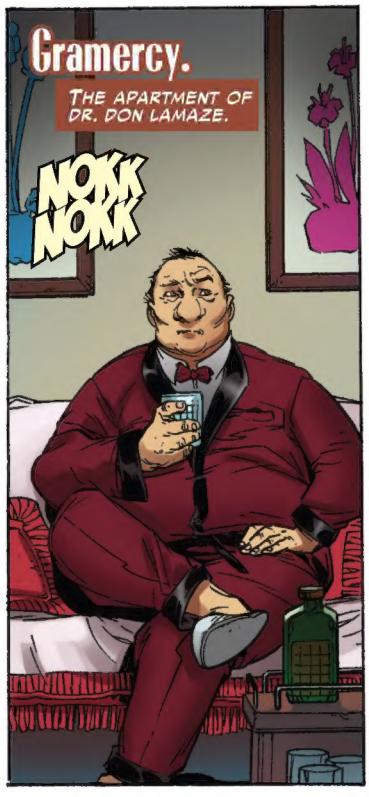
THIS IS ALL FOR YOU!
KTAM
ANGELINA, STOP! I BEG YOU!
YES! BEG ME!
FOR MERCY! FOR FORGIVENESS!
TEKK
TEKK
TEKK
FOR THE BEAUTIFUL LIGHT YOU EXTINGUISHED FROM THIS WORLD.
SAY IT!
SAY HIS NAME.
LET THE LAST WORDS FROM YOUR LIPS BE MY DEAR OTTO'S NAME.
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND. I AM--
WHA-TTETZZZ--

ZOOM
ANNA MARIA! ARE YOU--?
IT'S OKAY, SPIDEY. I CRAWLED FREE.
THOSE PEOPLE ON THE BUS?
THEY'LL BE FINE, MS. MARCONI.
"ANNA MARIA." "MS. MARCONI." YOU'RE BEING VERY FAMILIAR WITH ME, WEB-HEAD.
WELL, YOU KNOW, PETER'S MY FRIEND. AND HE...SPEAKS VERY FONDLY OF YOU.
THANKS, SPIDER-MAN.
OH. REALLY? HE DOES THAT? A LOT?
IF YOU'D EXCUSE ME, I HAVE TO GO...
...AND SEE TO THAT WOMAN, STUNNER...
"...AND MAKE SURE SHE DOESN'T BOTHER US AGAIN."
UNHH...
TEKK
TEKK
TEKK
HM. NEURAL FEEDBACK. NASTY. YOUR PULSE IS STEADY THOUGH.
YOU'LL PULL THROUGH. BUT FIRST...
LET'S MAKE SURE THESE TOYS OF YOURS AREN'T ON HAND...

"...WHEN YOU WAKE UP."
OOOH... WHAT HAPPENED? NO!
MY V.R. RIG?! IT'S GONE!
ALL FOR THE BEST, MY DEAR. AND BESIDES, YOU NEVER NEEDED IT.
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN BEAUTIFUL TO ME. JUST THE WAY YOU ARE.
OTTO! YOU'RE ALIVE?! BUT HOW?!
MY SWEET STUNNER, YOU'RE TALKING TO OTTO OCTAVIUS...
...THE ONE AND ONLY DOCTOR OCTOPUS! I AM ALWAYS...
...FINDING NEW WAYS TO CHEAT DEATH!
WHIRR--KLIKK-IK. HOLOGRAPHIC INTERFACE IS ON.
NEW OTTO OCTAVIUS AVATAR IS FULLY FUNCTIONAL.


IT'S A MIRACLE! I NEVER SHOULD'VE DOUBTED YOU.
I SHOULD'VE KNOWN YOU'D FIND A WAY BACK TO ME. WAIT!
OTTO, THIS MEANS WE CAN BE TOGETHER. WE CAN FINALLY HAVE EVERYTHING WE ALWAYS--
NO. I'M SORRY, MY DEAR, BUT...


...IN THE TIME YOU WERE AWAY, WITH THIS NEW LEASE ON LIFE I-- I'VE FOUND ANOTHER.
I'LL ALWAYS CARE FOR YOU, MY DEAR, BUT TODAY, MORE THAN EVER...
...I KNOW WHERE MY TRUE HEART LIES. AND WHAT I MUST DO TO PRESERVE MY FUTURE HAPPINESS.


Gramercy.
THE APARTMENT OF DR. DON LAMAZE.
NOKK NOKK

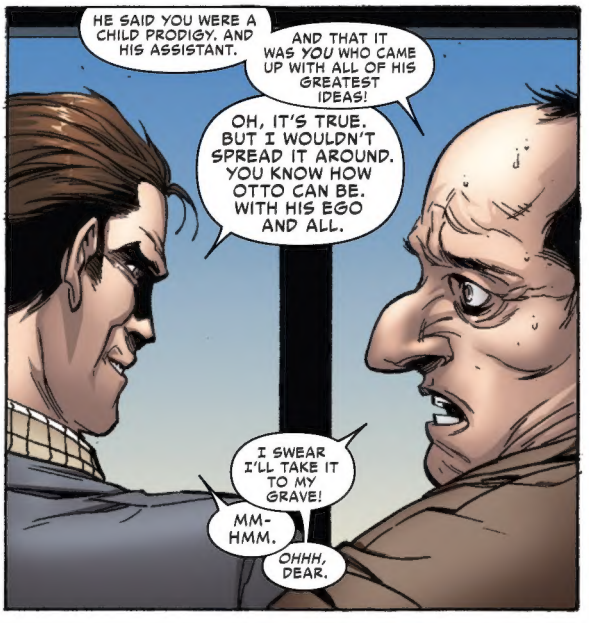
HELLO?

WHO IS--?
OH, MY.
DON, WE HAVE TO TALK.

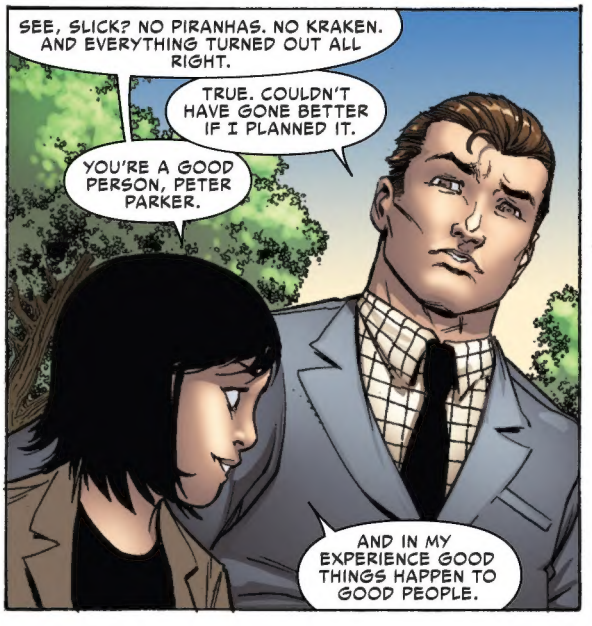
I RESCIND MY PREVIOUS OBJECTIONS.
I TAKE IT ALL BACK.

MR. PARKER'S THESIS IS WHOLLY ORIGINAL AND BEARS NO RESEMBLANCE TO OTTO OCTAVIUS' WORK.
WELL, THAT WAS QUITE TO THE POINT, DON. ON THE *NOSE* YOU MIGHT SAY.
I DEEPLY APOLOGIZE FOR MY PREVIOUS SLANDEROUS REMARKS. I HUMBLY BEG FOR YOUR FORGIVENESS, PETER.
AND VERY *BIG* OF YOU.
AH. GOOD. WELL THAT'S SETTLED.

MR. PARKER, A WORD PLEASE. I--I HAD A VISITOR LAST NIGHT.
WAIT. DON'T TELL ME. DARTH VADER FROM PLANET VULCAN.
UM. NO. IT WAS OTTO OCTAVIUS HIMSELF! HE'S STILL *ALIVE*.
HE CONFIDED IN ME. TOLD ME YOUR SECRET... IS IT TRUE?!


HE SAID YOU WERE A CHILD PRODIGY. AND HIS ASSISTANT.
AND THAT IT WAS *YOU* WHO CAME UP WITH ALL OF HIS GREATEST IDEAS!
OH, IT'S TRUE. BUT I WOULDN'T SPREAD IT AROUND. YOU KNOW HOW OTTO CAN BE. WITH HIS EGO AND ALL.
I SWEAR I'LL TAKE IT TO MY GRAVE!
MM-HMM.
OHHH, DEAR.

FAREWELL, MR. PARKER! OR SHOULD I SAY *DOCTOR* PARKER.
I'M SURE THERE'LL BE A CEREMONY TO PRESENT YOU WITH YOUR CREDENTIALS SOON ENOUGH...
OH. AND MS. MARCONI, ABOUT THE OTHER DAY--
IT'S FINE, DR. LAMAZE. IT WAS ALL IN THE HEAT OF THE MOMENT. NO HARD FEELINGS.
COME ALONG, ANNA.


SEE, SLICK? NO PIRANHAS. NO KRAKEN. AND EVERYTHING TURNED OUT ALL RIGHT.
TRUE. COULDN'T HAVE GONE BETTER IF I PLANNED IT.
YOU'RE A GOOD PERSON, PETER PARKER.
AND IN MY EXPERIENCE GOOD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE.

The Goblin Underground.
GOBLIN, MY LORD. I'VE BROUGHT YOU A PRESENT...
...A VERY SPECIAL VISITOR. FROM UP ABOVE.
OH, THIS OUGHTA BE GOOD.
ALL RIGHT, MENACE. WOW ME.
I BELIEVE YOU KNOW MY DEAR, SWEET SISTER...
...OFFICER CARLIE COOPER.
MRRMMMPH
THE POLICE? YOU BROUGHT THE POLICE DOWN TO OUR SECRET LAIR?
OH, SHE'S MORE THAN THAT. SEE, I'VE BEEN KEEPING TABS ON HER.
JOURNAL
AND MY LITTLE CARLIE-BEAR'S BEEN BRANCHING OUT. SHE'S WORKING ON A BOOK.
NON-FICTION.
OH HO HO!
THIS IS RICH!
TRUST ME, IT'S A REAL PAGE-TURNER!
SHH! STOP. DON'T TELL ME ANOTHER WORD.
AFTER ALL, YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO SPOIL THE ENDING.
HAHA HA
JOURNAL
NEXT: VENOM!

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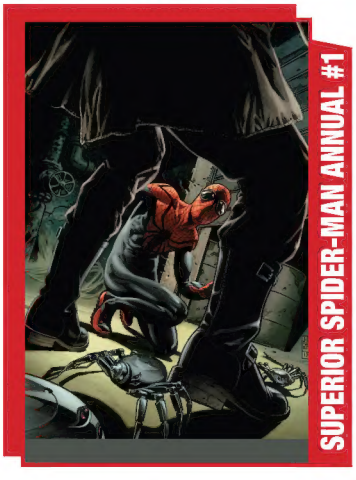

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